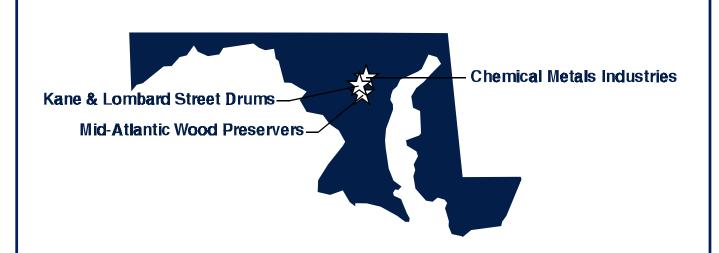


## Returning Sites To Productive Use

# Maryland Superfund Success Stories

- Chemical Metals Industries
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#### Chemical Metals Industries

The Chemical Metals Industries Superfund site in Baltimore, Maryland, includes a chemical manufacturing center and the inactive gas station it used as a dumping ground. Leaking drums on both properties prompted inspections of the areas, which revealed extensive contamination and the potential for fire or explosion of some of the chemicals. In 1981, EPA proposed the site to its list of hazardous waste sites needing cleanup. EPA, supported by the Maryland Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP), removed the contaminated drums, debris, and liquid waste from the site and constructed a protective cap to prevent further contamination. Once the contamination was



cleaned up, EPA removed the site from its list in 1982. Today, the former dumping area is a small park for area families to enjoy. In 1986, MDEP moved their central Maryland office into the former chemical manufacturing center. The new field office houses seven employees, a spill response unit, and an emergency removal unit.

#### Kane & Lombard Street Drums

What was once a towering pile of trash is now a 20-tee golf driving range that supports golf enthusiasts. For more than 22 years, the 10-acre property at the corner of Kane and Lombard streets in Baltimore was used for dumping, burning, and disposing of hazardous waste. The site is located next to a high school and lies along the edge of an industrial and commercial area. At the request of the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE), EPA investigated the site. In 1986, EPA added the site to its list of hazardous waste sites needing cleanup. The Agency worked closely with the local community, MDE, and a private investment group to design and implement a cleanup that allowed for the redevelopment of the property. Today, the property that once threatened the health of the local community is now a family-oriented golf driving range.



### Mid-Atlantic Wood Preservers

This three-acre site in Harmans, Maryland, was used by Mid-Atlantic Wood Preservers as a wood treatment facility. In 1978, soil and groundwater were found to be contaminated with chromium and arsenic from an overflow pipe at the facility. In 1986, EPA added the site to its list of hazardous waste sites needing cleanup. Mid-Atlantic Wood Preservers removed contaminated soils and placed an asphalt cap over the entire site. Thanks in part to a Prospective Purchaser Agreement between EPA and the developer that limited the company's liability for pre-existing contamination, this site has now been returned to productive use as a parking lot for an adjacent business.

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